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GUARDIANS of the GALAXY

MOTHER
ENTROPY



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The Knowhere authorities enlisted the Guardians of the Galaxy to transport a sacred relic called the Mother Stone--but everything went sideways when Pip the Troll tried to steal it. The entity known as Mother Entropy used the stone to possess Pip, and used his teleporting power to spread her insidious influence far and wide. Even the Guardians fell before Mother Entropy's power, and now Star-Lord and Groot are the only obstacles between her and universal domination.

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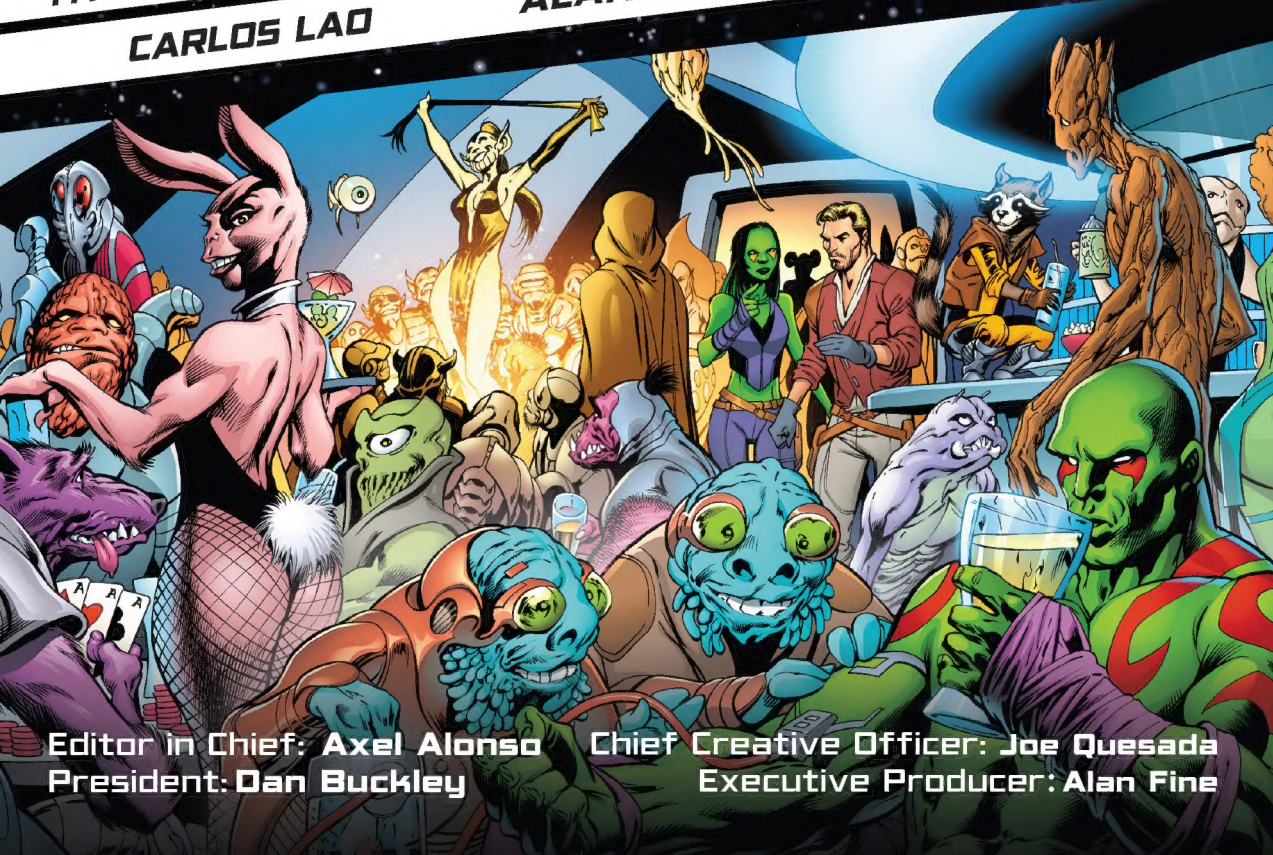
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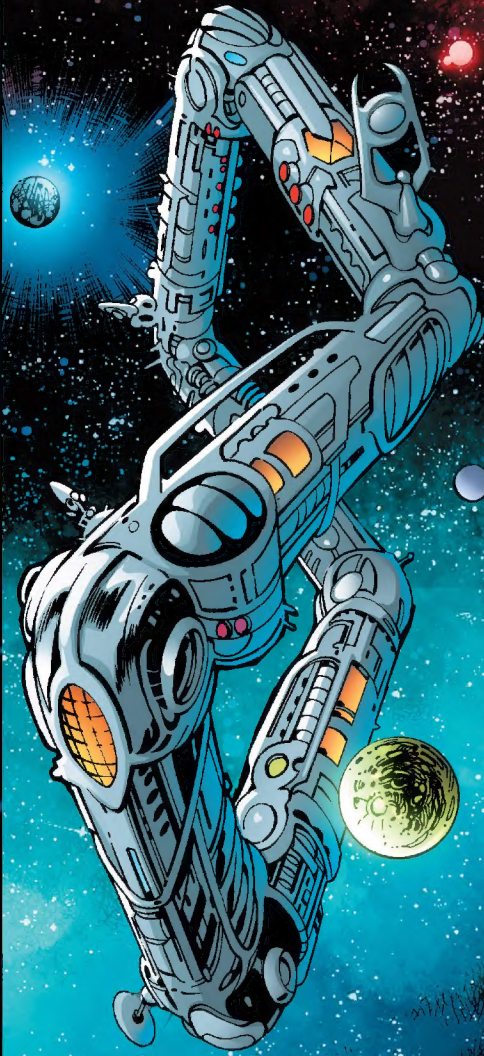
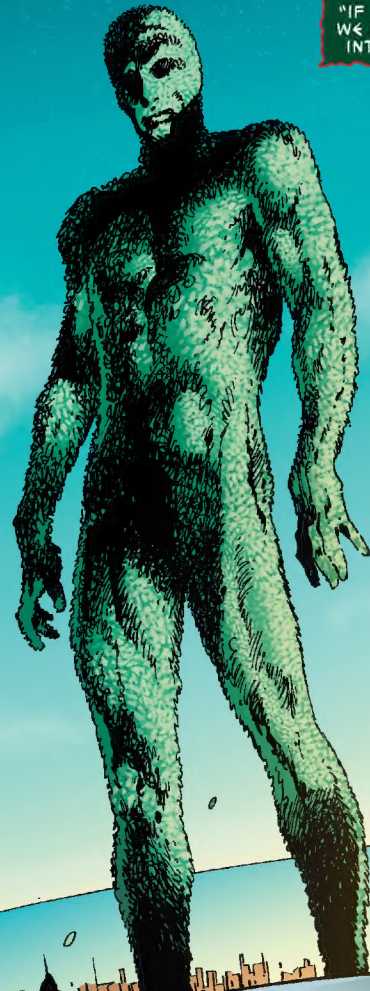
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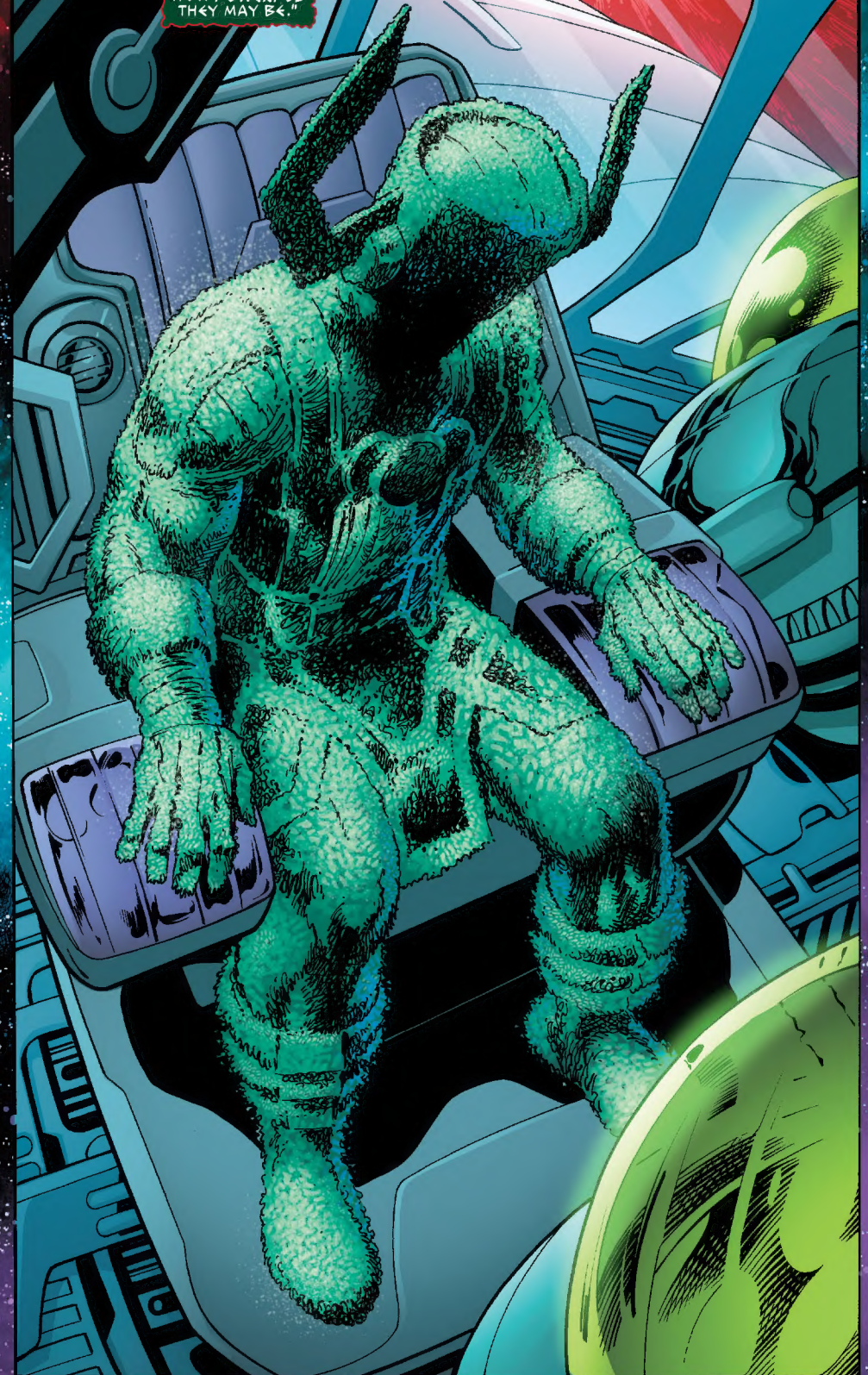
NEW YORK CITY.

"IF THEY BREATHE,
WE WELCOME THEM
INTO THE FAMILY."

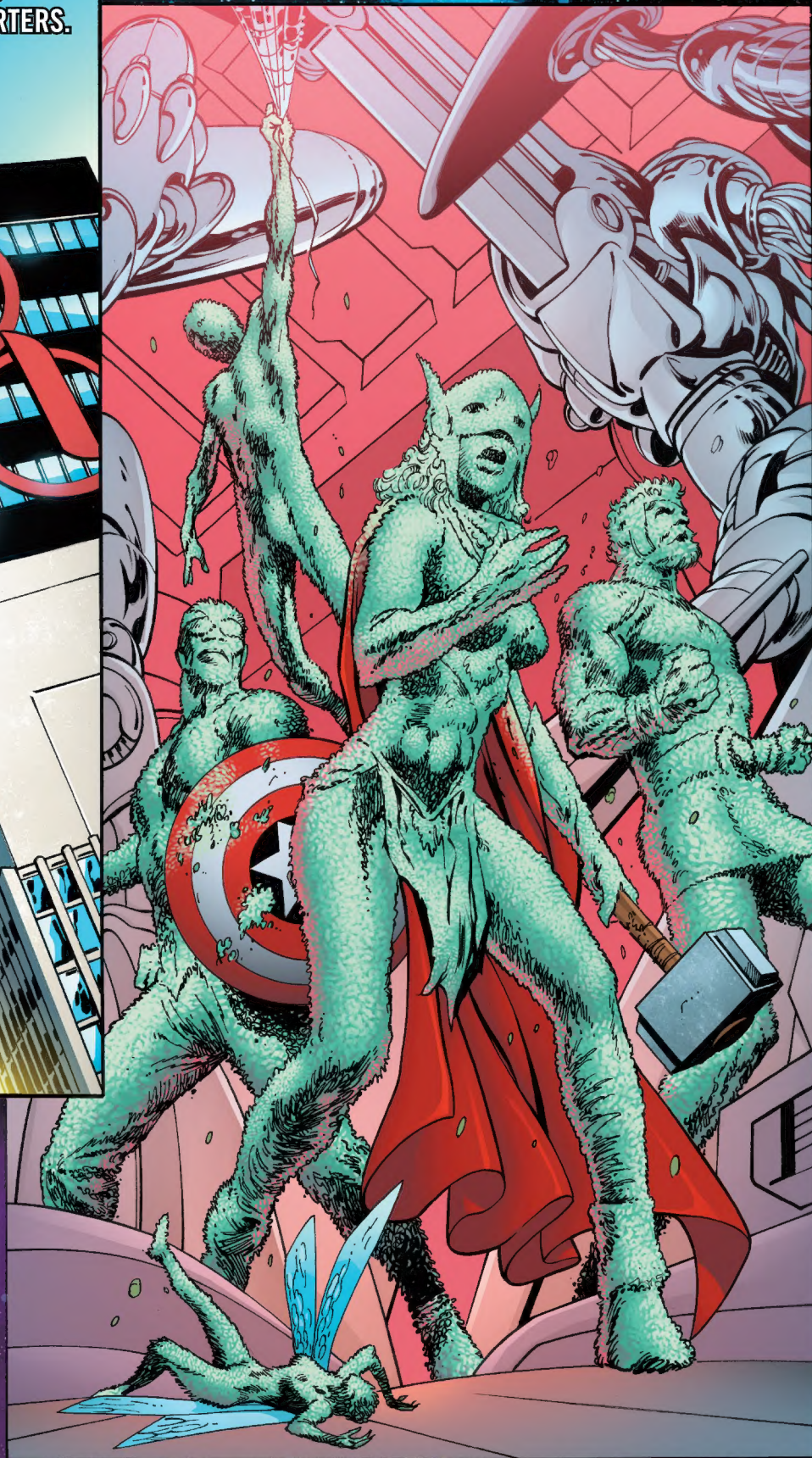


DEEP SPACE.

"NO MATTER
HOW POWERFUL
THEY MAY BE."



AVENGERS
HEADQUARTERS.



TITAN.



SHI'AR PRIME.



GUESS
THERE MUST
BE SOME SENSE
TO WHAT MOTHER
ENTROPY IS
UP TO.

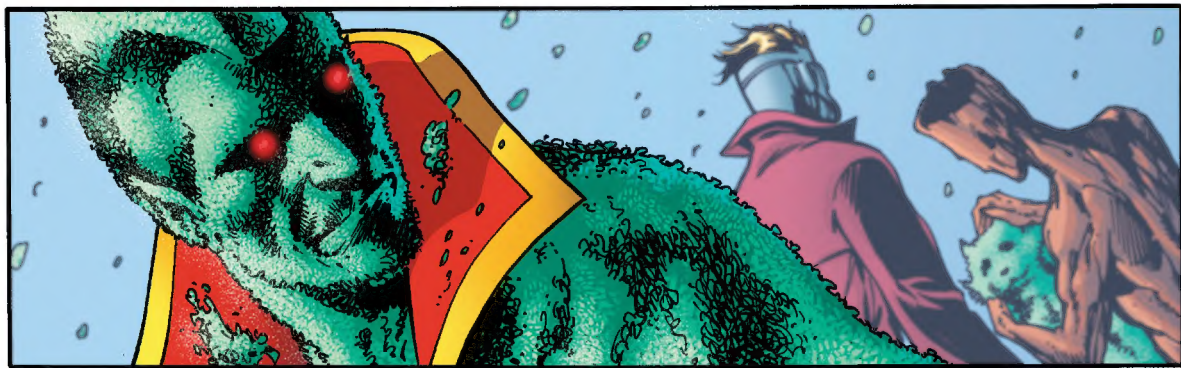
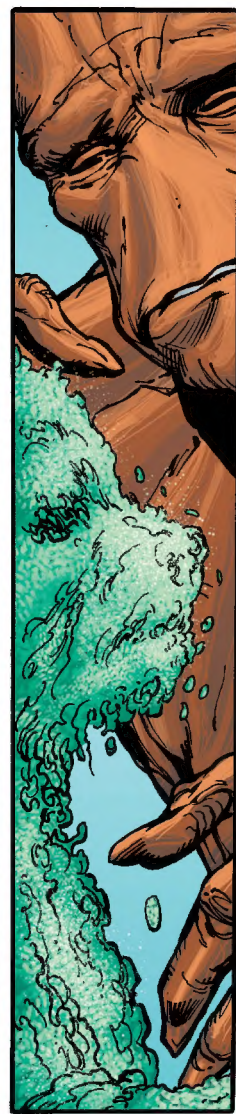
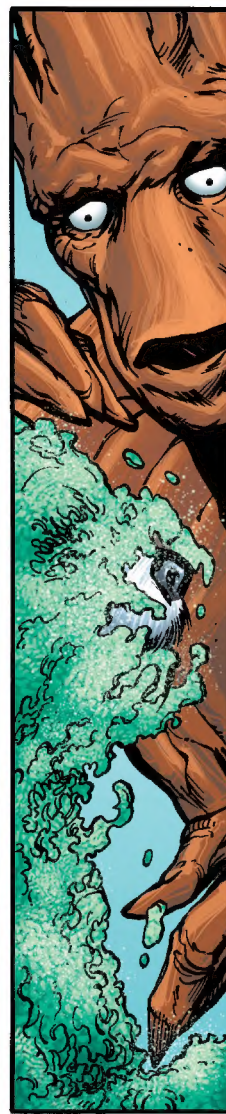
BUT
I DON'T
SEE IT.

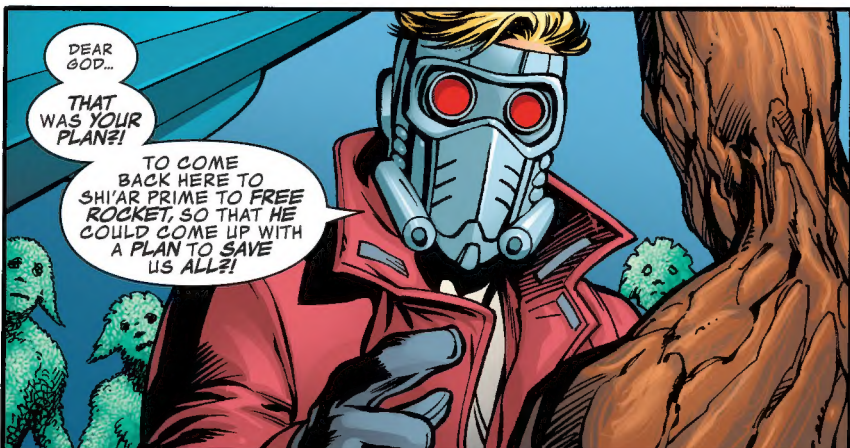
WHAT
GOOD DOES IT
DO, HER TURNING
EVERYONE IN THE
UNIVERSE INTO
FUNGUS-COVERED
ZOMBIES?

MUST BE
SOME KIND OF
PSYCHIC FEEDING-
OFF-THAT
THING.

I AM
GROOT.

YEAH,
RIGHT.







I MUST ADMIT THAT I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THE TWO OF YOU WERE THINKING IN COMING BACK HERE.

BUT I AM SO PLEASED YOU DID.

I HAD ACTUALLY LOST TRACK OF YOU.



NOW ALL MY FIRST CONTACTS WILL BECOME PART OF THE FAMILY.



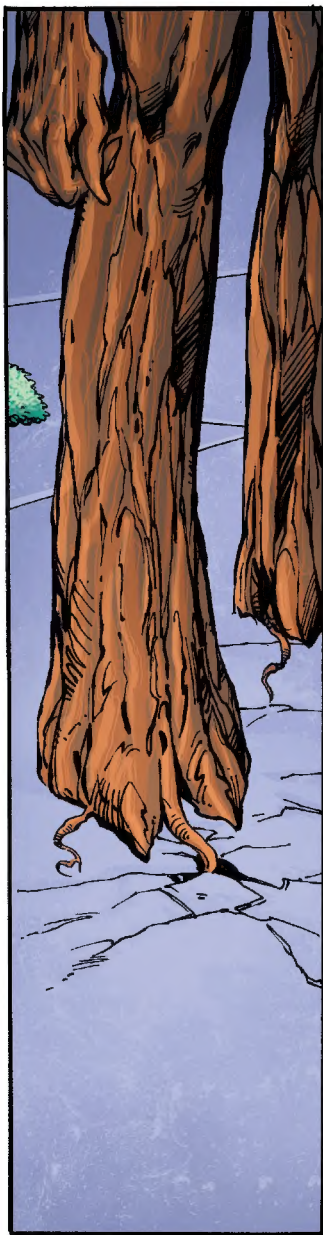
EXCEPT, SADLY, FOR YOU, GROOT.

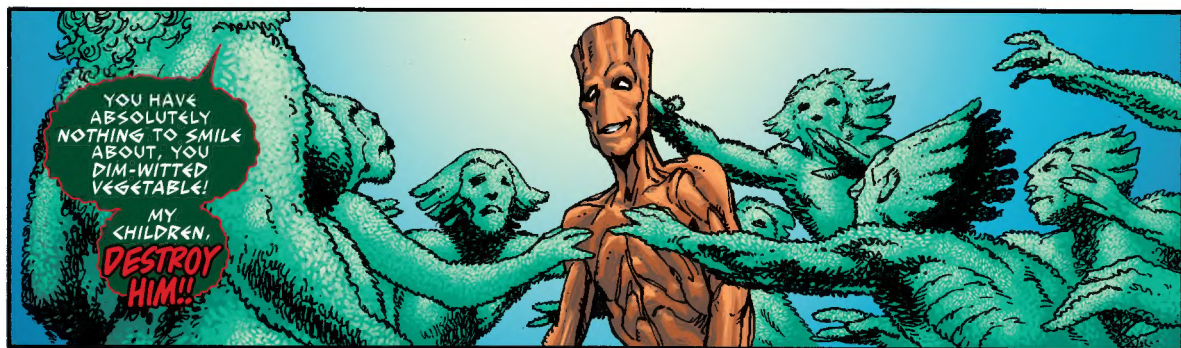
I HAVE ENCOUNTERED YOUR KIND BEFORE.



INTELLIGENT PLANT LIFE THAT DOESN'T BREATHE OXYGEN AND, SO, IS IMMUNE TO ANY INVITATION TO THE FAMILY.

THE FAMILY THAT YOUR HUMAN COMPANION IS NOW JOINING.





YOU HAVE
ABSOLUTELY
NOTHING TO SMILE
ABOUT, YOU
DIM-WITTED
VEGETABLE!

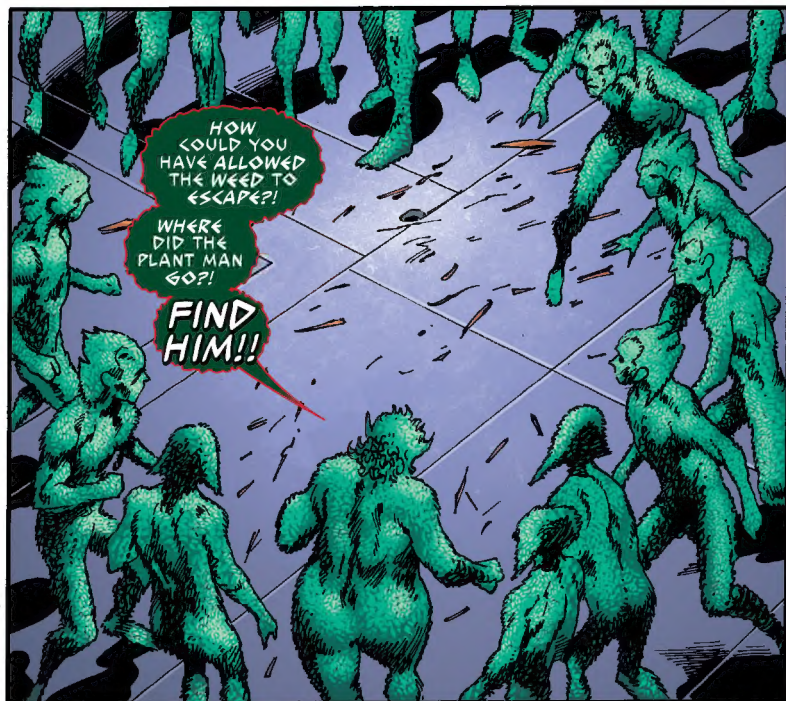
MY
CHILDREN,
**DESTROY
HIM!!**



WHAT
TRANSPIRES?



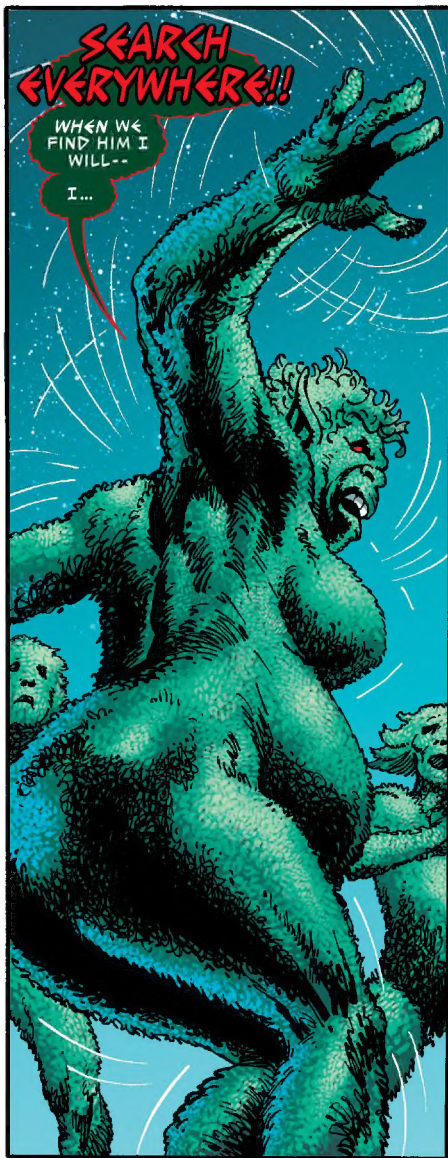
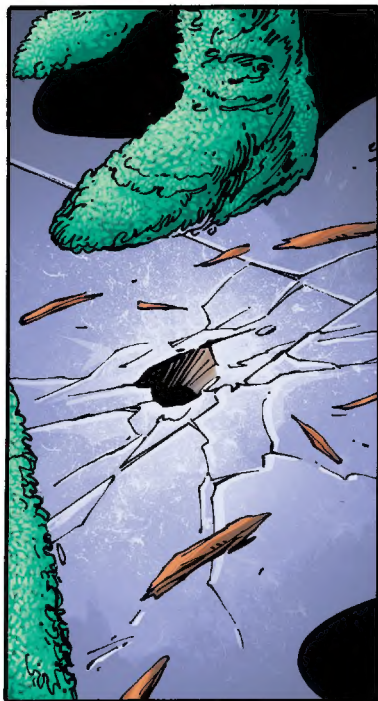
WHY HAVE
YOU CEASED
TEARING APART
THE TREE MAN,
MY CHILDREN?



HOW
COULD YOU
HAVE ALLOWED
THE WEED TO
ESCAPE?!

WHERE
DID THE
PLANT MAN
GO?!

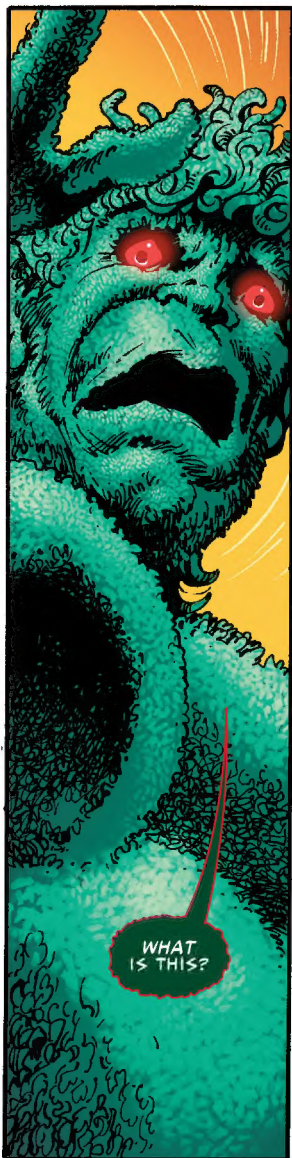
**FIND
HIM!!**



**SEARCH
EVERYWHERE!!**

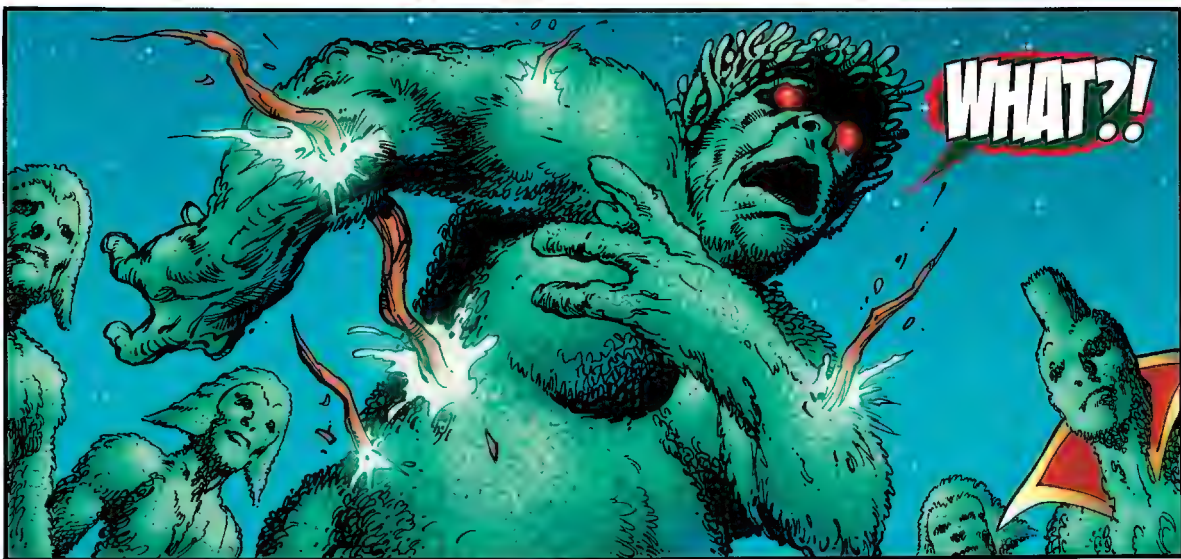
WHEN WE
FIND HIM I
WILL--

I...



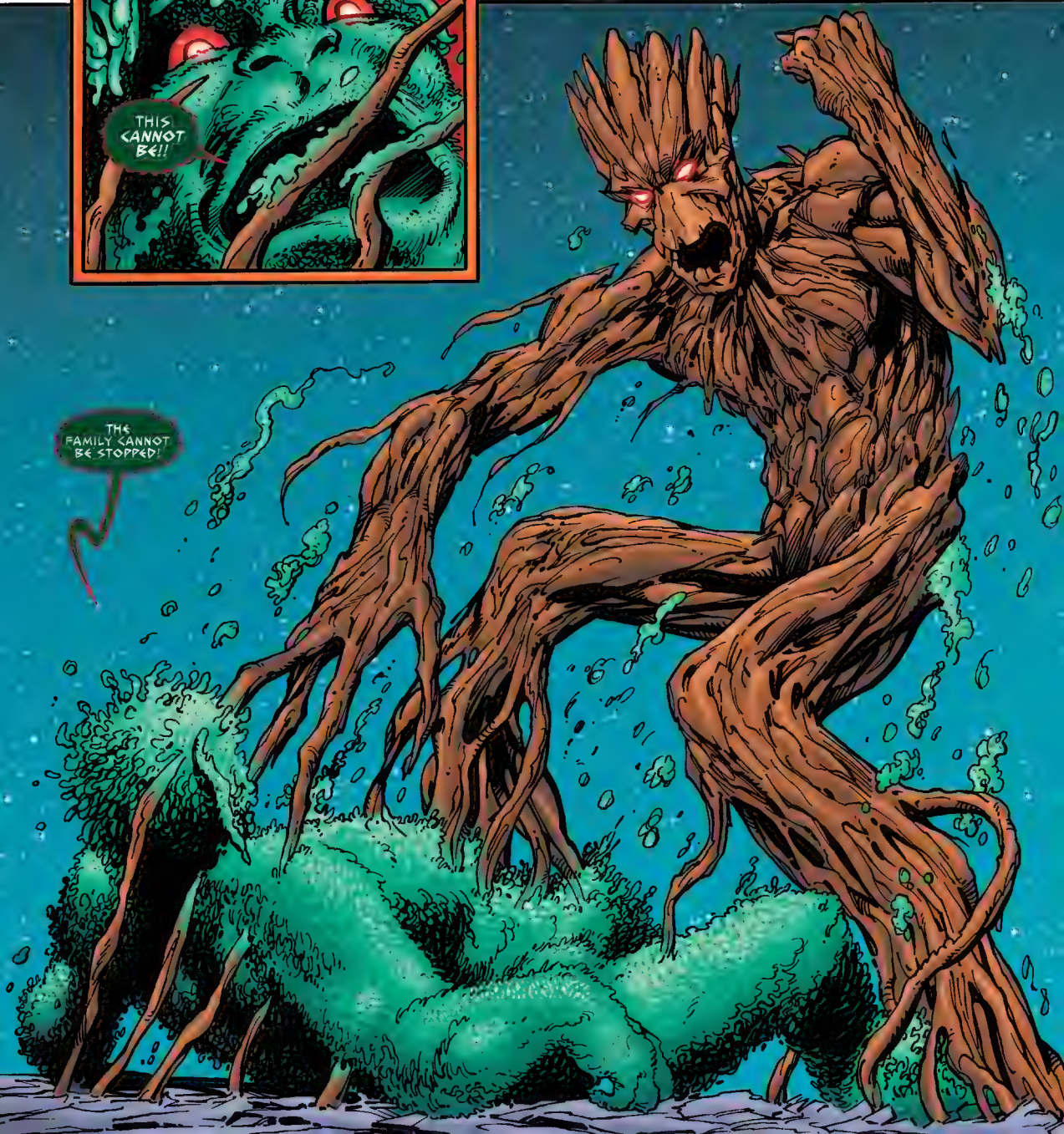
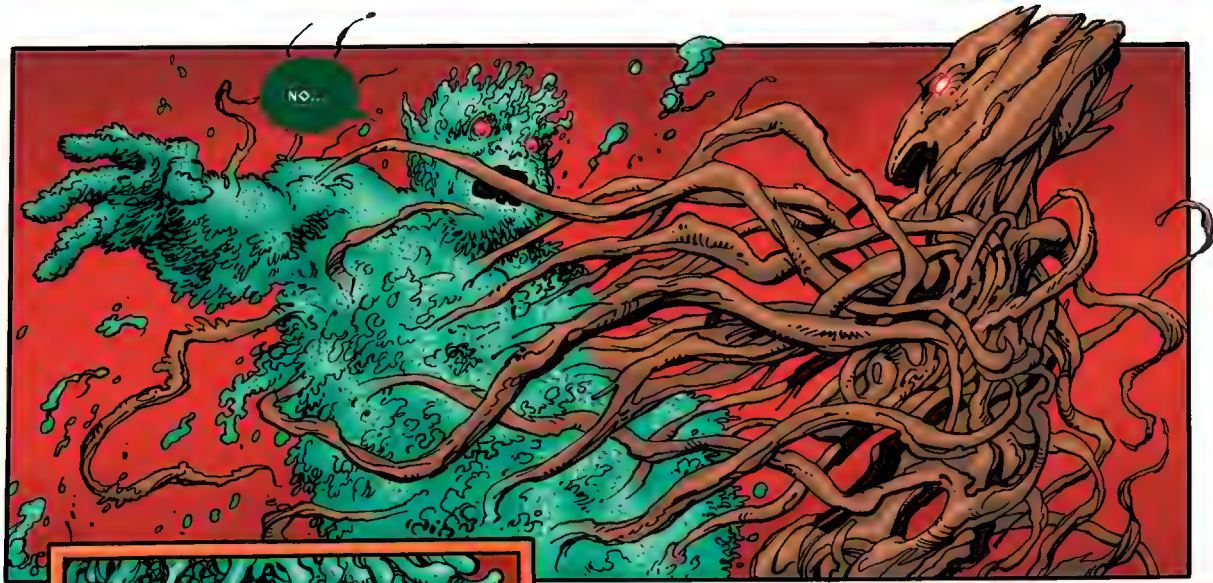
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IS THIS?

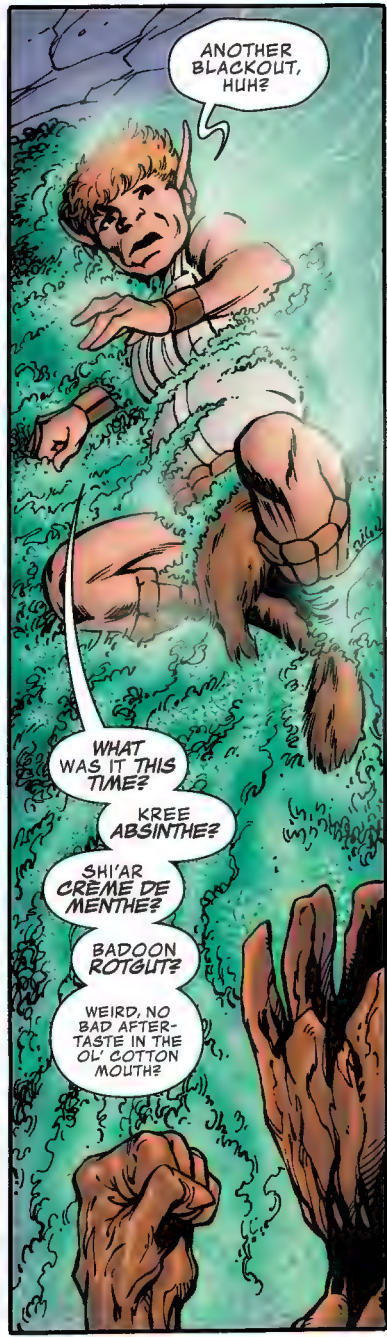
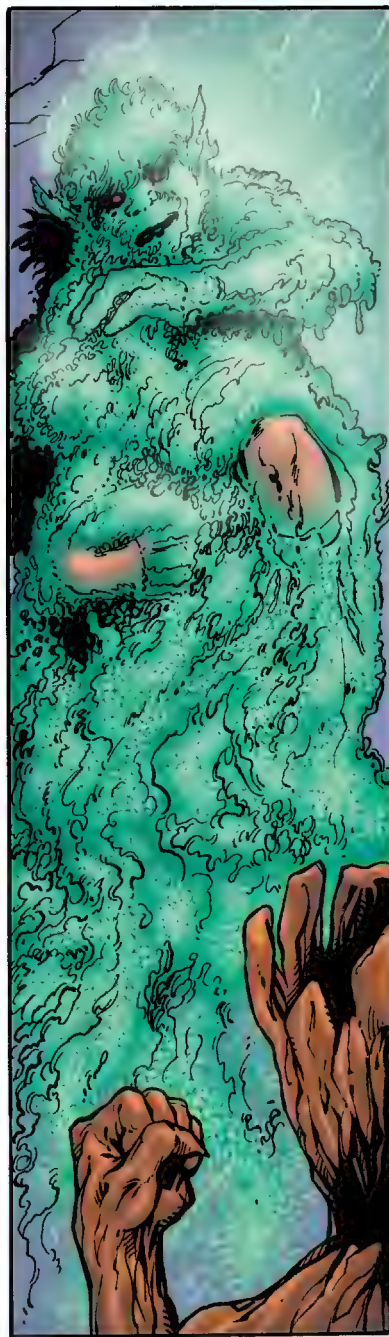
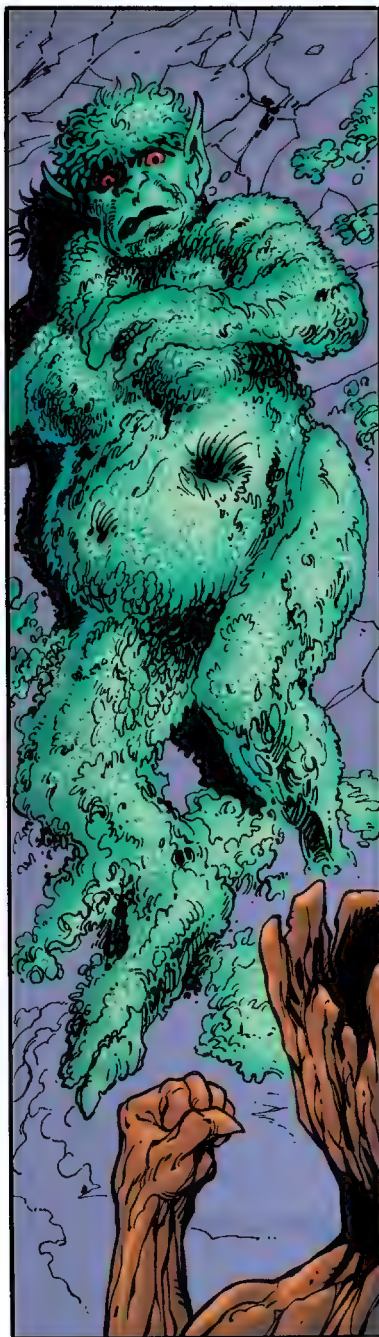


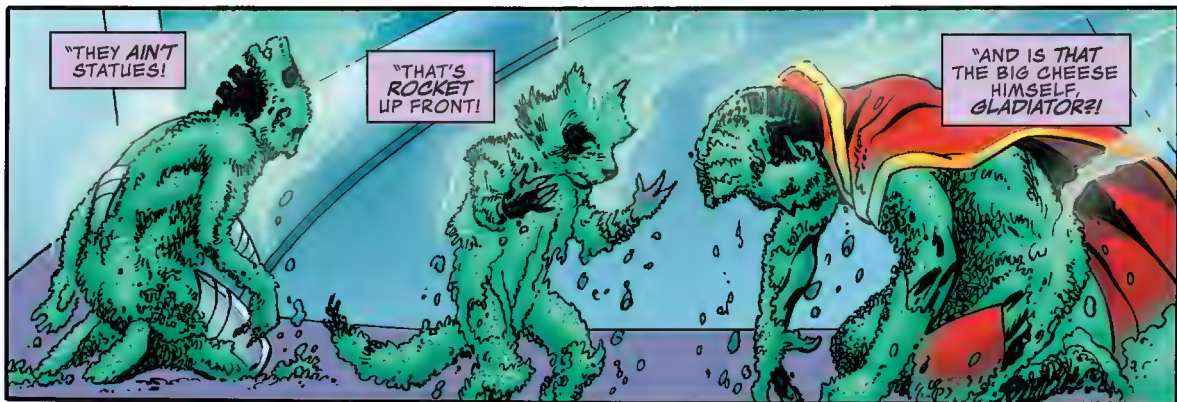
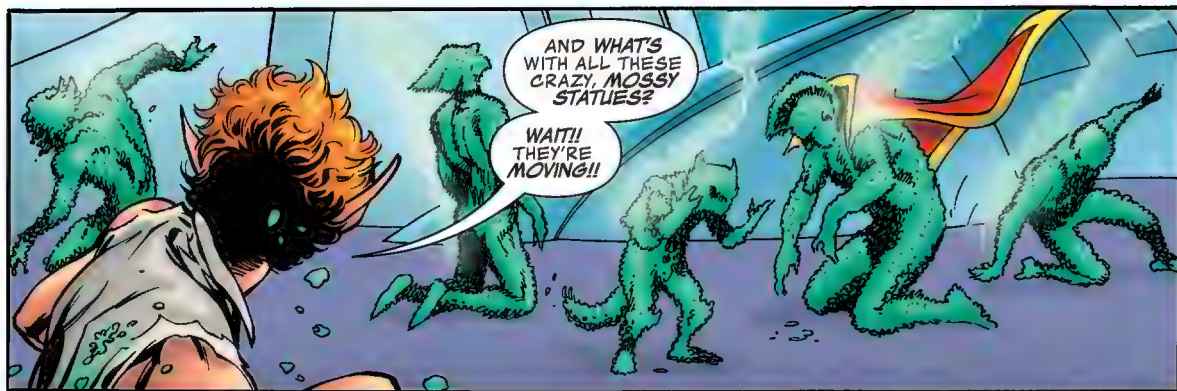


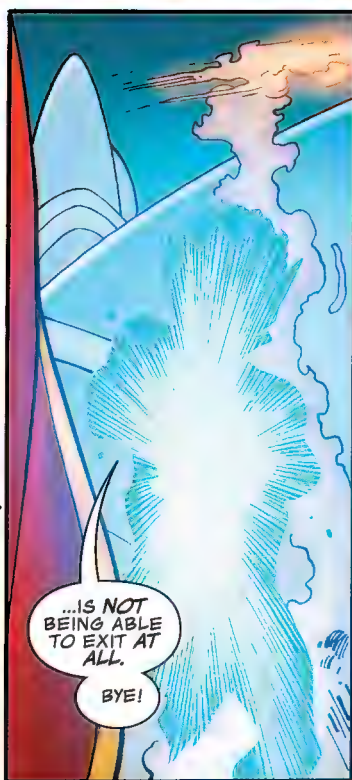
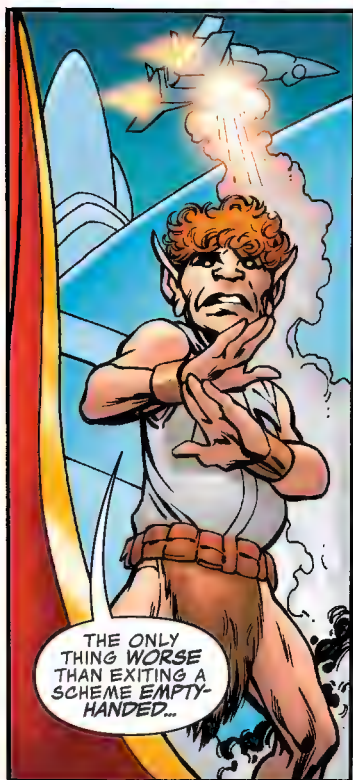
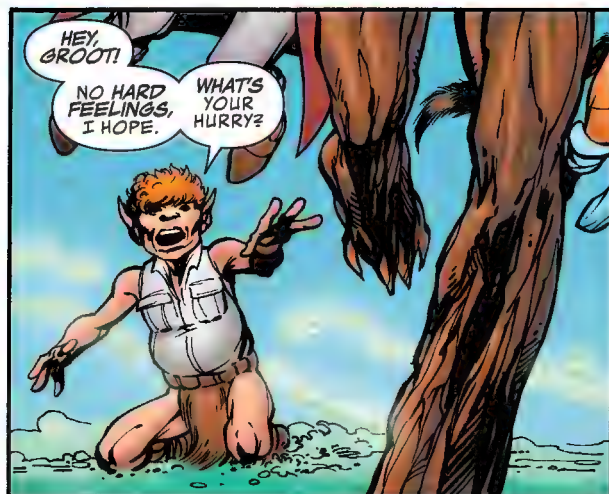


**I AM
GROOT!**



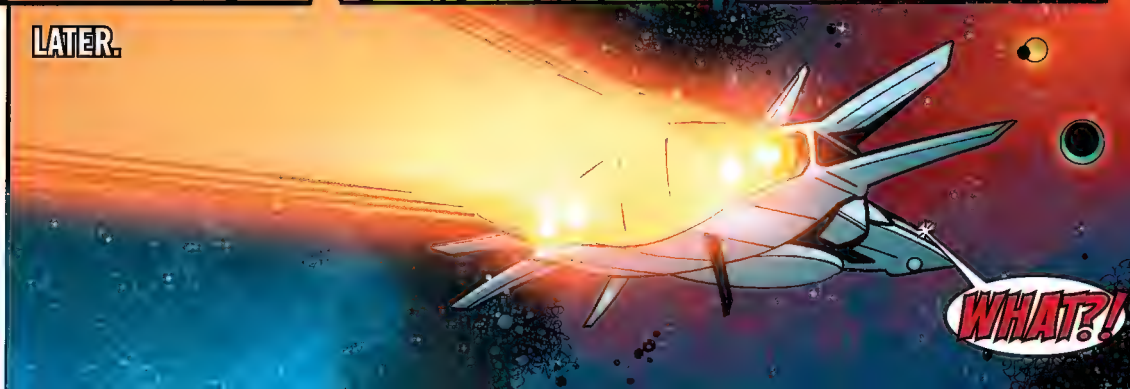








LATER.





WHAT DO YOU MEAN, DEITZ? YOU CAN'T PAY US FOR THE JOB WE DID FOR YOU?!

YOU CAN NEVER TRUST COPS.



YOUR TASK WAS TO DELIVER THE PRIEST BACK TO HIS HOME PLANET, SAFE AND SOUND.

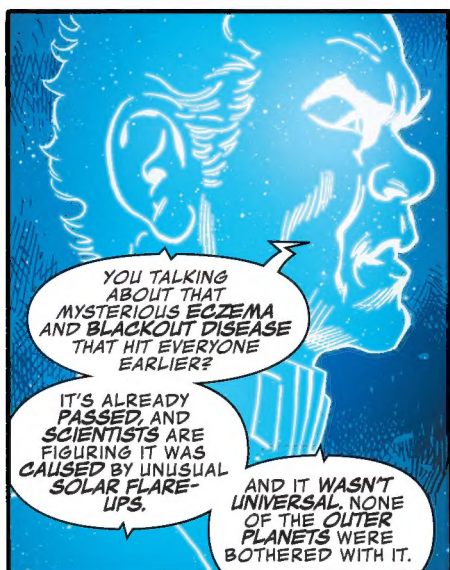
INSTEAD HE DIED IN YOUR CARE.



NOT OUR FAULT!

PLUS, WE JUST SAVED THE UNIVERSE FROM THE PLAGUE OF MOTHER ENTROPY!

THAT SHOULD BE WORTH SOMETHING!



YOU TALKING ABOUT THAT MYSTERIOUS ECZEMA AND BLACKOUT DISEASE THAT HIT EVERYONE EARLIER?

IT'S ALREADY PASSED, AND SCIENTISTS ARE FIGURING IT WAS CAUSED BY UNUSUAL SOLAR FLARE-UPS.

AND IT WASN'T UNIVERSAL. NONE OF THE OUTER PLANETS WERE BOTHERED WITH IT.



NICE TRY, QUILL, BUT NO CIGAR.



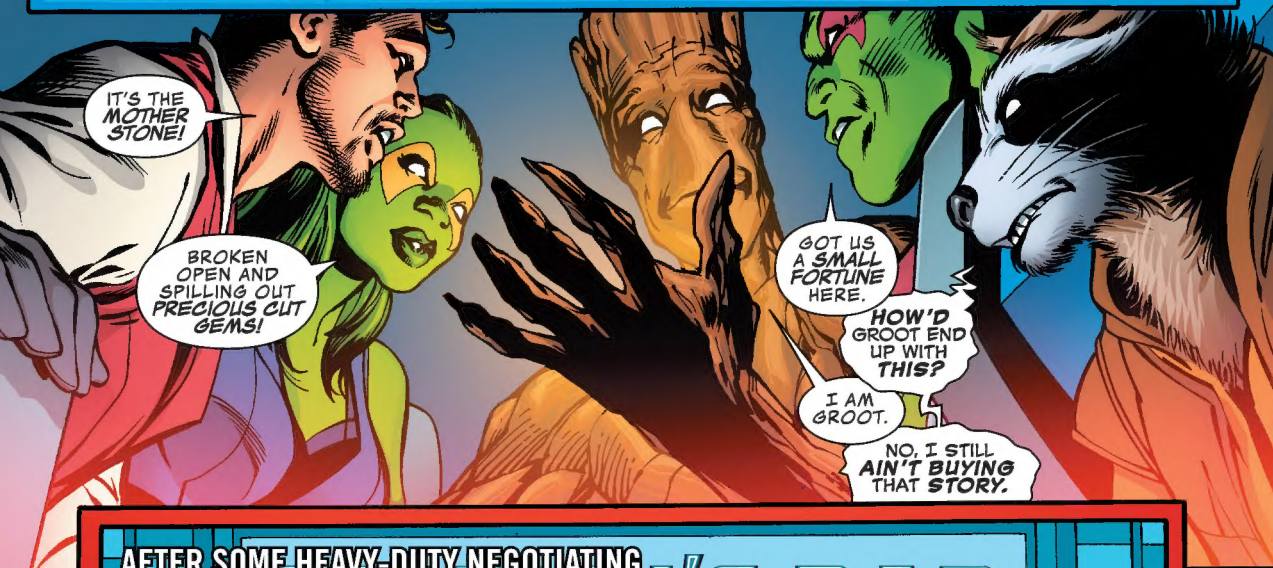
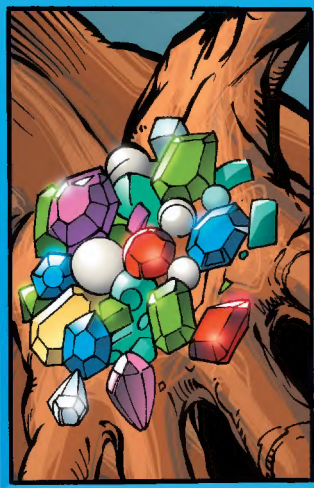
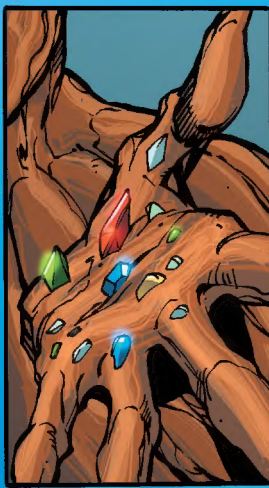
ENTROPY MUST HAVE ONLY BEEN ABLE TO INFECT PLANETS PIP HAD PREVIOUSLY TRAVELED TO.

WHICH LEAVES US WITH A DEAD PRIEST IN THE CARGO BAY AND NO BIG SCORE.

WE WERE GOING TO PAY OFF ALL OUR DEBTS WITH THOSE CREDITS!

WHICH MEANS WE CAN'T GO BACK TO KNOWHERE!

I AM GROOT.



AFTER SOME HEAVY-DUTY NEGOTIATING.

STARLIN'S BAR





DRINKS FOR EVERYONE IN THE HOUSE, ON THE GUARDIANS!

AND THOSE WE OWE CREDITS TO, START LINING UP TO GET PAID!

IT'S PARTY TIME, FOLKS!



MANY DRINKS LATER.

SAY, ROCKET, WHEN ENTROPY WAS TESTING US AND SUPPOSEDLY LOOKING INTO OUR HEARTS...

YEAH, SHE CLAIMED YOU REALLY CARED FOR TWO OF US GUARDIANS.



FIGURE GROOT'S GOT TO BE ONE OF THEM.

WHO'S THE OTHER?

ALL I CAN SAY IS...



IT'S MY SECRET HEART AND NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!

WHILE I APOLOGIZE TO WHOEVER'S LEFT OVER FOR NOT BEING MORE OPEN.

SO TWO OF YOU CAN JUST BUG OFF!

SO, LET'S ALL DRINK UP AND GET SERIOUSLY PARTY CRAZY!!

AMEN!

THE END.

ALL-NEW GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY #2

ON SALE NOW!

